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TO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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SUBJECT: CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM PRIME MINISTER TO  
PRESIDENT FORD

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TO PRIME  
MINISTER HOVEYDA:

QUOTE. DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER.

PLEASE ACCEPT MY SINCERE APPRECIATION FOR YOUR KIND MESSAGE  
ON MY ASSUMPTION OF OFFICE AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.  
MAY I EXPRESS THE HOPE FOR, AND MY COMMITMENT TO, CON-  
TINUED COOPERATION BETWEEN OUR TWO PEOPLES. SINCERELY,  
GERALD R. FORD. UNQUOTE.

2. FYI: FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT RECEIVED FROM  
PRIME MINISTER:

QUOTE. THE PRESIDENT, THE WHITE HOUSE.

ON YOUR ASSUMPTION OF THE HIGH OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENCY OF  
THE UNITED STATES I AM PLEASED TO EXTEND TO YOU MY MOST  
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SINCERE FELICITATIONS. I AM FULLY CONFIDENT THAT WITH YOUR

TENURE OF THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENCY THE TRADITIONALLY  
CORDIAL RELATIONS BETWEEN IRAN AND THE UNITED STATES WILL  
CONTINUE ON THEIR UNALTERABLE COURSE. ALONG WITH MY

WARMEST SENTIMENTS FOR YOUR PERSONAL WELL-BEING, I EXTEND  
TO YOU EVERY GOOD WISH FOR YOUR SUCCESS IN THE DISCHARGE  
OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF YOUR HIGH OFFICE. AMIR ABBAS  
HOVEYDA, PRIME MINISTER OF IRAN. UNQUOTE.

3. NEITHER THE DEPARTMENT NOR THE WHITE HOUSE PLANS TO  
RELEASE THE TEXT OF THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY, BUT WE HAVE NO  
OBJECTION TO ITS RELEASE BY GOI. KISSINGER

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